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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	Board of Speech Pathologists, Audiologists, and Hearing Aid Dispensers
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Tuesday, September 16, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:	10/21/2014

MEMBERS PRESENT

Meredith Sullivan, Professional Member, President, Presiding
Tonya Coats, Professional Member, Secretary
Dr. Mary Ann Connolly-Gaskin, Professional Member
Lisa Marencin, Professional Member
Heather Smith, Professional Member
Dr. Jennifer Xenakes, Professional Member

DIVISION STAFF

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General
David Mangler, Director
Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Sullivan called the meeting to order at 2:13 p.m.

Welcome New Professional Member – Heather B. Smith, SLP

Board introductions took place to benefit the new professional member, Heather B. Smith, SLP.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes – May 20, 2014

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from the May 20, 2014 meeting. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Marencin, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Update from Audiology/HAD Legislative Committee

Ms. Marencin advised the Board that the Committee has completed the proposed scope of practice, and that Ms. Kelly will be drafting the final draft of the proposed statute and regulations.

Review and Consider Order from Hearing Officer for Rule to Show Cause Hearing Held on January 15, 2014

The Board members reviewed the Order regarding Cora O'Donnell, and Ms. Coats affixed her signature to the Order.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratification of Permanent Speech Pathologist Applications

Ms. Coats made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to ratify the following permanent speech pathologist applications, as all applicants have met the requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Jessica Aaron	Amanda Backof	Emily Brokaw	Miranda Deitz Csaszar	M. Jane Dobol
Tovah Feehan	Randolph Gallon	Lisa Hannahan	Jeannie Henriques	Laura Hottle
Kerry Johnson	Elizabeth Jordan	Holly Lesagonicz	Kelly Olanoff	Cynthia Peck
Megan Raby	Amber Ramirez	Tanya Sandy	Stephanie Shave	Jacqueline Smith
Melanie Strait	Emily Stropnick	Ashley Terlingo	Elena Torre	Jennifer West
Greta Williams	Miranda Wolff			

Ratification of Temporary Speech Pathologist Application

Dr. Xenakes made a motion, seconded by Ms. Coats, to ratify the following temporary speech pathologist applications, as the applicants have met the requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

John Adamic	Alyssa Crum	Michaela Cullington	Megan DeVries	Kaitlyn Dowd
Brienna Faust	Nathan Finn	Bridget Keegan	Bridget Kelly	Jennifer Kelly
Emily Kolakowski	Carolyn Kosco	Julie Luzier	Amanda McGinnis	Jennifer Moore
Brittany O'Shea	Marissa Plummer	Kelly Randle	Grady Redmond	Jane Reiley
Loubelle Rivera	Natasha Sutton	Sabrina Wren		

Ratification of Temporary Speech Pathologist Licensure Extension Requests

Ms. Coats made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to ratify the following temporary speech pathologist licensure extension requests. Motion unanimously carried.

Nicole Arnal	Christina Earl	Nicole Evans	Nicole Frederick	Elizabeth Gebbie
Caleb Grafton	Sarah Hyers	Sarah Khan	Holly Lesagonicz	Erin O'Donnell
Nicole Pesce	Katherine Smies	Sarah Urchuck		

Ratification of Audiologist Applications

Dr. Xenakes made a motion, seconded by Ms. Marencin, to ratify the following audiologist applications, as all applicants have met the requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Mariana Collins Daniel Shearer

Ratification to Return to Active Status

Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to ratify the following request to return to active status, as the licensee has met the requirements to return to active status. Motion unanimously carried.

Susan Merchant

Ratification of Permanent Hearing Aid Dispenser Application

Dr. Connolly-Gaskin moved, seconded by Ms. Marencin, to ratify the following temporary hearing aid dispenser licensure extension requests. Motion unanimously carried.

Karla Quillen

Continuing Education – Review of Submitted Activities

Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin to approve, deny, or table the following continuing educational activities as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

Licensee: Christine Cook **Approved**
Sponsor: Christiana Hospital
Activity: Aerophagia and Supragastric Belching
Contact Hours: 0.5 CS

Licensee: Christine Cook **Approved**
Sponsor: Christiana Hospital
Activity: A Review of the Literature
Contact Hours: 1.0 CS

Licensee: Stacia Eggleston **Approved**
Sponsor: Wilson Language Training
Activity: Wilson Reading System ® Introductory Workshop
Contact Hours: 15.0 CS

Licensee: Elizabeth Sheslow **Denied – Not Directly Related to Professional Growth and Enhancement of Clinical Skills**
Sponsor: Psychotherapy Networker, Inc.
Activity: 37th Annual Psychotherapy Networker Symposium “The Emotional Brain”
Contact Hours: 5.0 PG

Licensee: Kristen Palmer **Approved**
Sponsor: Christiana Care Concord Health Center
Activity: Collaborative Management of Dysphagia
Contact Hours: 2.0 CS

Licensee: Jennifer Blackford **Approved**
Sponsor: Christiana Care
Activity: The Role of the Neuropsychologist in Rehabilitation
Contact Hours: 1.0 PG

Sponsor: Bayada Home Health Care **Approved for 2.0 CS Hours, Not 6.0 as Requested**
Activity: Current Treatment Concepts in Home Health Rehabilitation (Fall 2014)
Contact Hours: 6.0 CS

Sign Certificate of Appreciation for Roberta Burtch

The Certificate of Appreciation for Roberta Burtch was circulated for board members' signatures.

Review and Consider Correspondence Clarifying Final Order for April Long

The Board reviewed the correspondence clarifying a typographical error on April Long's Final Order. Ms. Sullivan affixed her signature to the correspondence.

Review Memorandum from Director Mangler Regarding 148th General Assembly

The Board reviewed the memorandum from Director Mangler regarding the upcoming 148th General Assembly. Ms. Kelly explained the pertinence of the memorandum and the proposed Hearing Aid Dispenser statute.

Review of Temporary Speech Pathologist Applications

The Board reviewed Jodi Disario's temporary speech pathologist application. Ms. Coats moved, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Andrew Peach's temporary speech pathologist application. Ms. Coats moved, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Permanent Speech Pathologist Applications

The Board reviewed Nicole Frederick-Arnal's permanent speech pathologist application. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Smith, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Kaitlyn O'Neill's permanent speech pathologist application. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Smith, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Nicole Pesce's permanent speech pathologist application. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Smith, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Sarah Urchuck's permanent speech pathologist application. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Smith, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Temporary Speech Pathologist Licensure Extension Request

The Board reviewed Courtney Rich's request for an extension on her temporary speech pathologist license. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin moved, seconded by Ms. Marencin, to grant a 6 month extension, as Ms. Rich has not completed her CF yet, and ASHA is delayed in processing certification applications. Motion unanimously carried.

Discussion Regarding A.I. DuPont Telehealth

The Board reviewed the newspaper article from Delaware Online, which discussed A.I. DuPont offering telehealth services to individuals in Sussex County. Ms. Kelly advised of the current regulations pertaining to telehealth. She suggested that the Board discuss their position on telehealth at a future meeting. Ms. Marencin advised the Board that both ASHA and AAA have statements supporting telepractice, which she will circulate for the Board members to review. It was requested that the topic "Discussion Regarding Telehealth" be placed on the October 21, 2014 agenda.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Ms. Williams advised the Board that she received an inquiry from a researcher requesting clarification on the Board's scope of practice for SLP's. She reported that she contacted the individual and advised him that the Board cannot offer an advisory opinion or legal advice, but would bring it before the Board for their review. The Board took no action regarding the individual's inquiry.

Ms. Williams advised the Board that SB 98 was signed by the Governor on June 30, 2014. This bill requires criminal background checks and revocation of licensure for individuals who were convicted of a felony sex offense. Mr. Mangler addressed the Board with additional details revolving around SB 98.

Ms. Sullivan inquired about the status of SLPAs. She wanted to verify that since the Board is not moving forward for SLPA licensure, that the Department of Education can move forward with this issue, if they chose to do so. Ms. Kelly advised the Board that the Department of Education can certainly pursue the implementation/utilization of SLPAs.

Dr. Xenakes inquired if the Board has had any business of the University of Delaware Speech Program. Dr. Xenakes was advised that the Board has not been a part of the process.

NEW BUSINESS

Review Memorandum from Director Mangler Regarding 148th General Assembly

Mr. Mangler addressed the Board regarding the memorandum that was sent to the Board. He is requesting that the Board identify one or two individuals that could serve as a legislative contact for any proposed legislation that is introduced outside of the Division of Professional Regulation. Ms. Sullivan agreed to be the legislative contact person.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

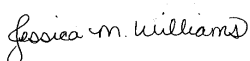
NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 21, 2014 at 2:00 p.m., in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Xenakes made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jessica M. Williams
Administrative Specialist II